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SUBJ: DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT - WOODS HOLE FINAL CONTRACT PAYMENT

REF: TEHRAN 7981

1. PASS TO DR. DAVID ROSS, WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION. DESPITE EMBASSY REQUEST TO DEPT. OF ENVIRONMENT'S FAILY (SEE REFTEL), TO SUBMIT DOLLAR CHECK AS FINAL PAYMENT UNDER CONTRACT, SCIATT HAS RECEIVED FOLLOWING LETTER WITH CHECK IN AMOUNG OF RIALS REPEAT RIALS 4,762,743. BEGIN QUOTE: FOLLOOWING OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION OF THIS DATE, ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND THE CHECK NO. 737111 OF BANK MARKAZI IRAN FOR AMOUNT OF IRALS 4,762,743 (FOUR MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY THREE RIALS) AFTER DEDUCTION OF RIALS 437,257 (FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN RIALS) TAX, ON THE NAME OF YOUR EMBASSY FOR TRANSFER TO WOODS HOLE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE AS THE SECOND PAYMENT OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED INSTITUTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION (B) OF ARTICLE TEN OF AGREEMENT OF JANUARY 18, 1977. AS MENTIONED IN OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, SINCE THE CONTRACT ANTICIPATES PAYMENTS IN IRALS, IT HAS NOT BEEN POSSIBLE TO REMIT THE SECOND PAYMENT IN DOLLARS. IF YOU SHOULD LIKE US TO DO SO, WE ARE OBLIGED TO APPROACH THE PLAN AND BUDGET ORGANIZATION FOR THEIR AGREEMENT ON THE CONVERSION. SUCH PROCEDURE WILL DEFINITELY CREATE DELAY IN THE PAYMENT

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WHICH WILL BE BEYOND OUR CONTROL. YOU ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF THIS CHECK. YOURS SINCERELY, ALI JAHANI, DEPTUY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, TEHRAN, IRAN. END QUOTE.

2. THE CHECK, NO. 737111 OF BANK MARKAZI IRAN, IS MADE OUT TO THE U.S. EMBASSY FOR TRANSFER TO WOODS HOLE

OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTION. SINCE EMBASSY CANNOT ACCEPT RIAL CHECK, WE WILL RETURN SAME TO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT REQUESTING THAT CHECK BE MADE OUT TO WOODS HOLE DIRECTLY, AND ADVISING THAT EMBASSY PREFERS NOT TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS TRANSACTION. EMBASSY WILL OFFER TO MAIL CHECK TO DR. ROSS.

3. EMBASSY NOTES THAT LOCAL CURRENCY CHECK WILL HAVE TO BE PROCESSED THROUGH WOODS HOLE BANK FOR COLLECTION AND THAT THIS PROCESS TAKES CONSIDERABLE TIME; HOWEVER, WE ARE UNABLE TO FORMALLY REQUEST DOE TO REISSURE CHECK IN DOLLARS.  
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